

## Dec. 6, 2005 - News Briefs

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### Handbell Ringers perform at library

The High Plains Ringers present a free performance of traditional English handbell music at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 7 in the Boulder Public Library Auditorium. Formerly called the CU Alumni Handbell Choir, the group's performances have been a holiday tradition for many years. Audience members are advised to arrive early to ensure seating. For details, call 303-441-4492 or email [bartschj@boulder.lib.co.us](mailto:bartschj@boulder.lib.co.us).

### Lyons Art Collective Exhibit at Library

"Coming through the Loop," an exhibit of artworks by members of The Lyons Water and Stone Artists Collective, goes on display Dec. 9 through Jan. 8 in the Canyon Gallery at the Boulder Public Library. The opening reception for the show is 5-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9. Included are works by Sky Brooks, Priscilla Cohan, John King, Sally King, Phyllis J. O'Rourke, Kristine Smock and Taylor Talmage. Exhibits in the Canyon Gallery are open to the public during main library hours and admission is free. For information, call 303-441-4397 or email [ravenwoodg@boulder.lib.co.us](mailto:ravenwoodg@boulder.lib.co.us).

### Open Space and Mountain Parks needs raptor monitor volunteers

The city of Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks is currently recruiting volunteers to help monitor raptor nests. Raptor volunteers have the unique opportunity to witness behavior of local birds of prey. Volunteers must be skilled at bird identification and be able to observe raptors for four hours each week during February until late July. Hiking to some nest sites can be strenuous.

For information, call Lisa Dierauf at 720-564-2014 or visit [www.osmp.org](http://www.osmp.org).

### Municipal Court closed until 1 p.m. on Friday

The Boulder Municipal Court will be closed from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 9, for a staff meeting. The Municipal Court is located in the Boulder County Justice Center at 1777 6th Street. The court closes the second Friday of each month for a staff meeting. Regular hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Council Election Review to be discussed on "The Boulder Show";

The December edition of The Boulder Show, "Boulder City Council Election Review" is now running on Municipal Channel 8. Guests include: Suzy Ageton, newly elected city councilmember; Richard Polk, newly elected city councilmember; Crystal Gray, city councilmember; Richard Valenty, Colorado Daily staff writer; and Kenneth Hotard, senior vice president for the Boulder Area Realtors Association.

The Boulder Show is a monthly, talk-show style program on local issues, events and people, hosted by John Tayer of Roche Colorado Corporation and sponsored by local businesses or organizations. Each show features a pro/con debate among guests who have opposing viewpoints concerning a local policy issue. A panel discussion among local media editorial board members follows each debate.

The Boulder Show airs at the following times: Mondays at 7 p.m.; Thursdays at 9 p.m.; Saturdays at 11 a.m.; Saturdays and Sundays at 8 p.m.; and the first and third Tuesdays, before City Council, at 5 p.m.

It is also possible to access all current and previous editions of The Boulder Show via the Web at [www.ci.boulder.co.us/channel8/bouldershow.htm](http://www.ci.boulder.co.us/channel8/bouldershow.htm). For further information about Municipal Channel 8 and programming times, contact Don Chapman, Channel 8, at (303) 441-4298 or fax comments to (303) 441-3553.

## YOAB/Youth Opportunities Program to hold art exhibition

The city of Boulder Housing and Human Services Department's Youth Opportunities Advisory Board (YOAB)/Youth Opportunities Program is sponsoring an adult/youth art exhibition entitled

"Voices: Perspectives of the Artistic Soul"; The exhibition opening will take place from 7 to 10 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16, at exhibitrek - The Gallery, 1711 15th St. The free exhibit will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Jan. 5 on the following days: Dec. 17, 21, 22, 28-30 and Jan. 4 and 5.

Over 110 artists submitted over 225 pieces of art for consideration. An independent jury selected pieces created by 31 high school artists and 20 adult artists for inclusion in the exhibition and exhibitrek-The Gallery donated space to hold the exhibit. The exhibit will highlight many diverse media from photography and paintings to ceramics and fiber art.

The exhibit was envisioned by the city's YOAB. The goals of the exhibit are to:

- 1.) Provide an opportunity for young artists to professionally share and display their work and to showcase their talents to the community.
- 2.) Unite the community through the medium of the visual arts.
- 3.) Represent and celebrate the diversity of Boulder by inviting all ages, ethnicities, religions, and political views to participate.
- 4.) Encourage students to follow their dreams in the field of fine arts.

For more information about YOAB, contact Alice Swett, (303) 441-4349. For more information about exhibitrek, contact Mary Belochi, (303) 998-1711.

## Boulder Senior Services offers class on balance and mobility

Boulder Senior Services offers a class on balance and ability for seniors who are afraid of falling and are uncertain of their ability to move about safely in public places.

The "Balance" program can help improve balance, increase strength, reduce risk of falling and enhance quality of life. Seniors 60 and over who have taken the FALLPROOF class in the past are welcome to enroll in this new class which will be held from 11 a.m. to noon, Mondays and Wednesdays, Jan. 9 through March 8 at the East Boulder Senior Center, 5660 Sioux Drive,. There will be no class Jan. 16 or Feb. 20 and 22. The fee for city residents is \$65; non-residents are \$75. Boulder Senior Services is a division of the city of Boulder Housing and Human Services Division. For information, or to register, call (303) 441-4150 or (303) 441-3148.

## Senior services changes dates for two support groups

Due to the holidays, two group meetings will be changed. The Grandparents Raising Grandchildren support group will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 19 at the West Senior Center, 909 Arapahoe Ave. instead of Dec. 26. Childcare is provided. For information, contact Sandy Hollingsworth, (303) 441-4388. In addition, there will be no Low Vision Support Group Meeting at the Boulder Senior Center in December. Seniors can be eligible for rebates on rent/heat/property tax

The deadline for 2003 and 2004 PTC 104 Rent/Heat/Property Tax rebate is Dec. 30 for eligible seniors and persons with disabilities. Forms are available through the Colorado Department of Revenue at (303) 328-3278, the Center for People with Disabilities at (303) 442-8662 or Boulder Senior Services at (303) 441-3148 for people 60 and over. Income must be under \$11,000 annually for one person, or under \$14,700 for a married couple, and participants must be Colorado residents for all of the past year.

## Senior Services sponsors two day trips with holiday themes

Boulder Senior Services is sponsoring two day trips by bus. The trip to the Mile High Lights display at the Bandimere Speedway in Golden departs at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 28, from McDonald's at 1800 28th St. and returns at approximately 9 p.m. The racetrack is transformed with dozens of multi-stored light displays. The fee is \$8 for city residents and \$10 for non-residents.

The trip to Scarlet's Casino in Central City to celebrate New Year's at noon will leave at 9 a.m. and return at approximately 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 31. The fee is \$8 for city residents or \$9 for non-residents. For more information or to register by phone, call Senior Services at (303) 441-3148 or (303) 441-4150. Boulder Senior Services is a division of the city of Boulder's Housing and Human Services.